

9TH AVE. CABLE ROAD, CONSPIRED AGAINST THE GOAT.

Franchise Sold by Comptroller Myers at Noon To-Day.

Extension to Be Begun at Once, and Cable Motive Power Used.

Edward Murphy, Jr., a Principal Stockholder of the Successful Company.

Comptroller Myers to-day sold at public auction, in his office, the franchise for the extension of the Ninth Avenue Railroad from sixty-third street and Columbus avenue to One Hundred and Tenth street, and a branch from Columbus avenue through One Hundred and Sixth street to Amsterdam avenue, to connect there with the original Ninth Avenue line.

The franchise was bid in by the Columbus and Ninth Avenue Railroad Company, a corporation recently organized in the interest of the Metropolitan Traction Syndicate, which controls the Ninth Avenue line.

John D. Crimmins, on behalf of the Houston Street, West Street, and Plover Ferry Railroad Company, bid one-eighth of 1 percent above the statutory price asked, and Anthony N. Brady bid one-quarter of 1 percent for the Columbus and Ninth Avenue Company. He got the franchise. The statutory requirement is that the city receive 3 percent of the gross receipts for the first five years and 6 percent thereafter.

Mr. Brady is a resident of Albany and a prominent politician there. He said he was the president and John Sager, secretary and treasurer of the company. The company is controlled by the principal stockholders. The Metropolitan Traction Syndicate was represented by William C. Whitney, John D. Crimmins, George L. Joseph, J. O'Donoghue and Lawrence M. Scriver.

Mr. Whitney was asked why the franchise was bid in by Mr. Brady, when Mr. Crimmins could have got the franchise for himself. He replied: "You have to make these arrangements if you want to put \$500,000 when our company, for instance, may not want to."

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The conditions of the sale are that the road must be completed within two years, having probable legal title to the right of way, and a good faith certificate for \$500,000, which will be forfeited if the conditions are not complied with, was deposited. The check was on the New York Guaranty and Indemnity Company, and signed by Anthony N. Brady.

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(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

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The members will therefore leave on the Pennsylvania Railroad in charge of Robert Parke at 6 o'clock in the morning, and will be conveyed by steamer from the Jersey City railroad station, directly to the Lahn, arriving at 4:30 p. m., when dinner will be immediately served.

The party will remain upon the steamer all night and will return to Washington Sunday afternoon.

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There always is a large number of persons present on such occasions, however, and after the necessary official formalities have been gone through with there will be general handshaking.

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Tuesday at noon the new Board of Aldermen will meet in the City Hall, and will then send in their message. He is busy at present preparing that document and also his annual report as Commissioner of Public Works.

Was Jealous of an Actor.

Nicholas Fournier was granted permission to serve summons by publication on his wife, Marie, in an action for divorce. The couple were married in Paris sixteen years ago. On Sept. 12, the husband was told by his daughter that Mrs. Fournier, who had left her home at 125 East One Hundred and Twenty-fourth street, in New York, and that an actor, George Lester, was living in the same room.

Pipes Burst—Damage \$3,000.

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Coffee from the Mesquite Bean.

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Anyhow John McGow's Billy and His Whiskers Were Removed.

Bridge Fitzgerald Committed for Employing the Media.

STAPLETON, S. I., Dec. 30.—A large portion of the people of Rocky Hollow crowded the police court-room this morning to witness the trial of Bridge Fitzgerald, who had been arrested on a charge of "wilfully and unlawfully conspiring to cause the death of John McGow's Billy goat."

Billy was the pride of Rocky Hollow, and his untimely taking off cast gloom over Mr. McGow and his neighbors, who mourned Billy as a departed friend.

Billy possessed beautiful long glossy whiskers and enjoyed the distinction of being the "Knowledgeable Goat of Shantytown."

Billy knew every hole and corner in Rocky Hollow and had perambulated through the front and back doors of nearly all the palatial residences in the classic regions of Shantytown.

But Billy's popular career came to a sudden end when, tired of grazing on tomato cans and posters, he indignantly invaded the back yard of Bridge Fitzgerald's castle and proceeded to sample the tomato which was hanging on the back of the castle.

Stories differ as to what happened to Billy. He at any rate disappeared, and a searching party discovered his carcass hanging in a neighboring barn.

Billy had not only been killed in cold blood, but his handsome whiskers were gone and his carcass skinned.

Suspicion was at once directed to Bridge Fitzgerald, as she had been heard to make threats on Billy's life, and her arrest followed.

She spent the night in a cell at Police Headquarters, and when arraigned before Judge McGowan she pleaded guilty to the charge of having killed Billy the goat.

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AN ANARCHISTIC MANIFESTO.

Declaring in Paris that It Is Time to Strike for Freedom.

Chicago Is Threatened with a Visit from Louise Michel.

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PARIS, Dec. 30.—The explosion yesterday in the Prefecture of Police is still discussed in the offices and other places of public resort. The anarchists have taken advantage of the occasion to issue a manifesto, couched in the usually blunt and absurdly ferocious style of those documents.

The wrongs of the people, fire, blood and dynamite are expatiated upon at length, but the manifesto is not a call to arms. It is a call to strike for freedom.

Striking for freedom in the anarchist style, however, is not apt to occur just at present, as the police departments are closely guarded and out-of-the-way recesses are carefully searched for hidden dynamite or other explosive weapons.

The *Ligue* to-day publishes an interview with Louise Michel, the aged Anarchist, who is now in London. She declares that she does not know the authors of the explosion at the Prefecture, but she thought it a very good piece of work.

She regretted that higher officials had not been present when the explosion occurred, as they might have been killed. Their deaths, she thought, would be a blessing to the people.

She adds that it is the intention of Louise Michel to go to Chicago shortly to spread the Anarchist propaganda.

DUBLIN'S SHAKEN OFFICES.

Detectives Hushed Out for Fear Their Quarters Would Fall.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

DUBLIN, Dec. 30.—The walls of the offices in Exchange Court, the scene of the explosion yesterday, have been found to have been so badly damaged by the shock of the explosion that the buildings are not believed to be habitable.

At midnight last night it was feared that the walls of the detective office would fall. The detectives who were asleep were hastily awakened, and everybody left the building as quickly as possible. This morning the walls are being shored up, and an examination will be made to decide whether they can be repaired.

There are no new developments in the case, and no one has been found to be the perpetrators of the outrage.

Far-Off India's Desire for Home Rule Is Growing Stronger.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

CALCUTTA, Dec. 30.—Seven hundred delegates were present at the meeting to-day of the Indian National Congress at Allahabad, the capital of the Northwest Provinces. The Congress includes many of the ablest of the native Indians, and the resolutions submitted showed the growing spirit in favor of Indian self-government.

The resolutions presented expressing regret that the people of India were not allowed to elect representatives to the Council of the Viceroy.

London's Lord Mayor to Pay a Visit of State to Dublin.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

LONDON, Dec. 30.—Lord Mayor Knill is about to pay a visit in full state to Lord Mayor Meade, of Dublin. On Sunday both the officials will go in procession to the Roman Catholic Cathedral, where they will attend mass.

Four or five years ago, when the sunken harbor was in the hands of the British, the harbor was in the hands of the British. The harbor was in the hands of the British. The harbor was in the hands of the British.

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Myer Prefers to Fight Burglar.

KILLED UNDER WATER.

Diver Fairchild's Neck Broken by a Premature Explosion.

Tamping a Cartridge Thirty-three Feet Below the Surface.

He Was the Most Expert Diver in the Dock Department.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

ACONIAH FAIRCHILD, Chief Diver of the Department of Docks, was killed this morning by the premature explosion of a blasting cartridge while at work on the ledge of rocks just north of new pier 14, at the foot of Fulton street, North River.

At 8:30 o'clock, Fairchild was on the bottom under about thirty-three feet of water. Above him was scow "B," of the Dock Department.

Diver's Tender John R. Leary was on the scow. He held in one hand the cord by which signals were exchanged with Fairchild.

In the other hand he held the line by which the diver was raised and lowered. About him stood three men with long iron-shod poles, who kept the ice away from the place where Fairchild had descended.

Suddenly there was a slight explosion. Leary says it sounded like a fire-cracker. In the other hand he held the line by which the diver was raised and lowered. About him stood three men with long iron-shod poles, who kept the ice away from the place where Fairchild had descended.

He looked around to see the cause, feeling nothing out of the usual, he became alarmed and signaled, "Is everything all right?"

There was no answer and Leary began to hoist immediately. Fairchild's head came out of the water hanging forward on his breast.

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NEAR TYPHUS FEVER CASES.

One in Bellevue and Four in Chambers Street Hospital.

Precautions to Prevent the Spread of the Contagion.

Six new cases of typhus fever were reported to President Wilson, of the Health Board, to-day.

One was developed in the New York Dispensary. The patient is Thomas Pullan, of 104 Park Row, who had been taken to the Dispensary for treatment.